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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed October 31, 2006, the Applicant amends and remarks as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.